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**COMBINED DECLARATION AND
POWER OF ATTORNEY
IN APPLICATION**

Attorney Docket No.

U11.12-0137

SPECIFICATION AND INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed, and for which a patent is sought, on the invention entitled MOBILITY ASSIST DEVICE the specification of which,

(check one) ☐ is attached hereto.
☒ was filed on July 18, 2000 as Appln. Serial No. 09/618,613.
☐ was amended on _____
☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. _____ filed on _____ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known to me to be material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 USC § 119)

I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed	Priority Claimed
_____	_____	_____	Yes_____ No_____
_____	_____	_____	Yes_____ No_____

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 USC § 120)

I claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below. Insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35 United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:



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Appln. Ser. No.	U.S. Serial No. (if any under PCT)	Filing Date	Status
_____	_____	_____	_____

DECLARATION

I declare that all statements made herein that are of my own knowledge are true and that all statements that are made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING
SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION)

Attorney Docket No.

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Inventor(s): Max Donath, Craig R. Shankwitz, Heon Min Lim, Bryan Newstrom, Alec Gorjestani, Sameer Pardy, and Lee Alexander

Title: MOBILITY ASSIST DEVICE

With respect to the invention described in

- ☐ the application filed herewith:
☒ application Serial No. 09/618,613, filed July 18, 2000 :
☐ Patent No. , issued :

I. IDENTIFICATION OF DECLARANT AND RIGHTS AS A SMALL ENTITY

I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the nonprofit organization identified below:

NAME OF ORGANIZATION The University of Minnesota

ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION 450 University Gateway,
200 Oak Street,
Minneapolis, MN 55455

TYPE OF ORGANIZATION

- ☒ UNIVERSITY OR OTHER INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION (37 CFR § 1.9(e)(1))
☐ TAX EXEMPT UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CODE (26 U.S.C § 501(a) AND § 501(c)(3) (37 CFR § 1.9(e)(2))
☐ NONPROFIT SCIENTIFIC OR EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION UNDER STATUTE OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (37 CFR § 1.9(e)(3))

(NAME OF STATE)

(CITATION OF STATUTE)

- ☐ WOULD QUALIFY AS TAX EXEMPT UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CODE (26 USC § 501(a) and § 501(c)(3) IF LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (37 CFR § 1.9(e)(4))

- ☐ WOULD QUALIFY AS NONPROFIT SCIENTIFIC OR EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION UNDER STATUTE OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IF LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (37 CFR § 1.9(e)(4))

(NAME OF STATE)

(CITATION OF STATUTE)

The nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a nonprofit organization as defined in 37 CFR § 1.9(e) for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 USC §§ 41(a) and (b).

II. OWNERSHIP OF INVENTION BY DECLARANT

Rights under contract or law remain with and/or have been conveyed to the above-identified organization. If the rights held are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person who could not be classified as (1) an independent inventor under 37 CFR § 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, (2) a small business concern under 37 CFR § 1.9(d) or (3) a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR § 1.9(e).

X There is no such person, concern, or organization.

 The person, concerns or organizations are listed below:

FULL NAME

ADDRESS

- [] Individual
[] Small Business Concern
[] Nonprofit Organization

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DUTY TO NOTIFY PTO OF STATUS CHANGE

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.28(b).

IV. DECLARATION

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

V. SIGNATURES

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